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205 West Randolph Street  
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Re: Case No. 89157.Q

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Dear [REDACTED]

The Board of Ethics has received your request for an opinion regarding whether you can accept a grant offered by ONE OF THE CITY DEPARTMENTS.

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Section 26.2-11 of the Ethics Ordinance prohibits City employees from having a financial interest in any funds administered by the City. "Financial interest" is defined as "(i) any interest as a result of which the owner currently receives or is entitled to receive \$2,500 per year; (ii) any interest with a cost or present value of \$5,000 or more...." Because the maximum amount that may be granted to any person under the program in question is \$1500, neither of these monetary thresholds can be exceeded. Accordingly, the Board finds that you may accept the grant offered by this DEPARTMENT.

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This advisory opinion may be relied upon by (1) any person involved in the specific transaction or activity with respect to which this opinion is rendered and (2) any person involved in any specific transaction or activity which is indistinguishable in all its material aspects from the transaction or activity with respect to which the opinion is rendered.

If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Ethics staff at 744-9660.

Sincerely,

*Johnnie B. DeWilde*

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Deputy Director

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